



# GYMNAZIUM **PANKÚCHOVA** 6 BRATISLAVA

## MYP 3

### Sample test

Practice English Language and Literature EXAM

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_



**ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE  
MYP3 2023/4 PRACTICE EXAMINATION**

**TIME: 40 minutes**

**TOTAL: 40**

**INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1. This paper consists of THREE sections:
  - 1.1 Section A: Language in context**
  - 1.2 Section B: Grammar**
  - 1.3 Section C: Poem analysis****
- 2. Read through the whole paper before you start.**
- 3. Answer all the questions and only write the letter of the answer.**
- 4. Write neatly and legibly.**
- 5. Only use a blue/black ballpoint pen.**

**SECTION A: LANGUAGE IN CONTEXT**

Read the passage and answer the questions. Complete the text by filling in the correct words from the box below and write your answer in the last column.

### Chernobyl Catastrophe

35 years ago, the worst nuclear (1) \_\_\_\_\_ in history happened at the power plant at Chernobyl in the former Soviet Union. A failed (2) \_\_\_\_\_ test caused the nuclear reactor in Block 4 to become unstable. As a result, a chain reaction (3) \_\_\_\_\_ the core to explode. Fire spread out over the (4) \_\_\_\_\_ compound. Two people were killed in the explosion, over 30 workers officially died of radiation (5) \_\_\_\_\_. It is not known how many people died in the months and years that followed.

The Soviet authorities hid the (6) \_\_\_\_\_ about the explosion and did not warn other countries. A nuclear cloud spread across Europe for more than a week. Almost half a million people had to leave their homes. The accident led to a worldwide (7) \_\_\_\_\_ on the safety of nuclear energy. It may have also been one of the causes of the (8) \_\_\_\_\_ of the Soviet Union a few years later.

After the clean-up the remaining reactors at Chernobyl (9) \_\_\_\_\_ to produce electricity for some years before the whole power station was shut down by Ukrainian (10) \_\_\_\_\_ in 2000. A sarcophagus was built around Block 4 to (11) \_\_\_\_\_ radioactivity from escaping. In 2017 a new steel structure was built to (12) \_\_\_\_\_ more safety. The whole site is expected to be completely decommissioned by 2065.

Today, the area is still affected by radiation. Even though there is a 30 km exclusion zone a special kind of tourism has (13) \_\_\_\_\_. People from all over the world are coming to see the remains of the (14) \_\_\_\_\_ and observe the wildlife in the region. The Ukrainian government is planning to use the area as a site for nuclear (15) \_\_\_\_\_ .

	A	B	C	D	ANSWERS (A,B,C,D)
1	misfortune	ruin	disaster	event	
2	danger	guard	protection	safety	
3	caused	made	led	affected	
4	entire	complete	total	all	
5	condition	infection	sickness	virus	
6	fact	truth	honesty	event	
7	examination	agreement	argument	debate	
8	failure	ruin	collapse	resign	
9	continued	lasted	restarted	stayed	
10	agencies	organisations	specialists	authorities	
11	avoid	defend	prevent	guard	
12	assure	ensure	sure	surely	
13	emerged	occured	happened	come	
14	catastrophe	crisis	tragedy	diaster	
15	waste	dump	leftovers	garbage	

Organize and match the sentence beginnings with the endings. There are TWO endings you will not need. Write your answers in the box below the table.

16	A safety test that went wrong	A	in the months and years that followed the disaster
17	As a result of the explosion	B	for the collapse of the Soviet Union a few years later
18	Many people died of radiation sickness	C	a safety test was planned
19	The Soviet Union did not	D	caused the nuclear disaster at Chernobyl
20	The disaster led to a	E	to protect the area from radioactivity
21	The accident may have been one reason	F	has emerged in the exclusion zone
22	The remaining reactor blocks	G	a fire broke out at the site
23	A sarcophagus was built	H	widespread discussion on nuclear energy
24	A new kind of tourism	I	were decommissioned in 2000
25	People are coming to see	J	continued to produce energy for some time
		K	how the disaster affected wildlife in the region
		L	warn the world about what had happened

16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25

**SECTION B: GRAMMAR**

Read the passage and correct the grammar. Write your answers in the box below.

**Social media is harming the mental health of teenagers**

The digital landscape has put increased pressure on teenagers today, and we feel it.

**26. (Their/They're/There)** are so many social media channels: Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Snapchat, Tumblr, you name it.

A new study **27. (has/have/had)** found that teenagers who engage with social media during the night could be damaging their sleep and increasing their risk of anxiety and depression.

Teenagers **28. (speak/speaks/spoke)** about the pressure they felt to make **29. (themselves/themselves/them)** available 24/7, and the resulting anxiety if they did not respond **30. (imediately/immediately/imediatley)** to texts or posts. Teens are so emotionally invested in social media that a fifth of secondary school pupils will wake up at night and log on, just to make sure they don't miss out.

Perhaps the worst thing about this is that teenagers need more sleep than adults do, so night-time social media use could be **31. (detrmental/detrimental/detramental)** to their health. Research has shown that teenagers need 9,5 hours of sleep each night but on average only get 7,5 hours. A lack of sleep can make teenagers tired, irritable, depressed and more likely to catch colds, flu and gastroenteritis.

A separate study by the National Citizen Service found that, rather than talking to their parents, girls seek comfort on social media when they are worried. The survey also suggests that girls **32. (is/are/was)** likely to experience stress more often than boys **33. (- /,/. )** an average of twice a week.

**34. (Its/It's/Its')** becoming more and more obvious how the pressures of social media disproportionately **35. (affect/effect/infect)** teenage girls. Most often they experience the pressure to be perfect. And if you don't meet these ridiculously high standards, then the self-loathing and bullying begins. (Adapted: goo.gl/4QDo5g)

	A	B	C	ANSWER (A,B,C)
<b>26</b>	Their	They,re	There	
<b>27</b>	has	have	had	
<b>28</b>	speak	speaks	spoke	
<b>29</b>	themsels	themselves	them	
<b>30</b>	imediately	immediately	imediately	
<b>31</b>	detrmental	detrimental	detramental	
<b>32</b>	is	are	was	
<b>33</b>	- (dash)	, (comma)	. (full stop)	
<b>34</b>	Its	It's	Its'	
<b>35</b>	affect	effect	infect	

**SECTION C: POEM ANALYSIS**

**Read the following poem and answer the set questions**

**The Jaguar by Ted Hughes**

The apes yawn and adore their fleas in the sun.  
The parrots shriek as if they were on fire, or strut  
Like cheap tarts to attract the stroller with the nut.  
Fatigued with indolence, tiger and lion

Lie still as the sun. The boa-constrictor's coil  
Is a fossil. Cage after cage seems empty, or  
Stinks of sleepers from the breathing straw.  
It might be painted on a nursery wall.

But who runs like the rest past these arrives  
At a cage where the crowd stands, stares, mesmerized,  
As a child at a dream, at a jaguar hurrying enraged  
Through prison darkness after the drills of his eyes

On a short fierce fuse. Not in boredom—  
The eye satisfied to be blind in fire,  
By the bang of blood in the brain deaf the ear—  
He spins from the bars, but there's no cage to him

More than to the visionary his cell:  
His stride is wildernesses of freedom:  
The world rolls under the long thrust of his heel.  
Over the cage floor the horizons come.

**26. Identify the meaning of the word "strut".**

- A) To parade.
- B) To sleep.
- C) To mock.

**27. Justify a reasons why the poet might have chosen to list these different animals in the same stanza.**

- A) It shows the different species in the zoo.
- B) It establishes the setting of the poem.
- C) It makes the zoo interesting.

**28. Identify the figure of speech., “The parrots shriek as if the were on fire.”**

- A) metaphor
- B) simile
- C) allusion

**29. ‘It might be painted on a nursery wall.’ (Line 8)**

This line symbolises ...

- A) the happy atmosphere at the zoo.
- B) the static nature of the zoo.
- C) the baby animals at the zoo.

**30. The meaning of the poem can be interpreted as follow:**

- A) The poem describes the experiences of animals in a zoo.
- B) The poem justifies that we should keep animals in zoos to protect them from poachers.
- C) The poem depicts how unnatural it is to cage animals and that animals should be left free in the wild.

**[GRANDTOTAL: 40]**